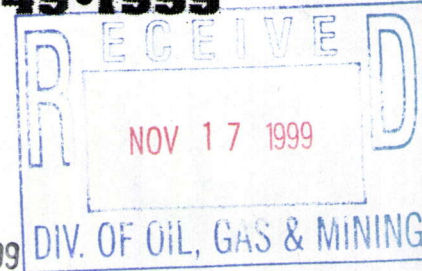




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**Decision
Additional Information Required**

Mr. Jerome C. Gatto	:	3809 Appeal
230 East Broadway	:	Rejection of a
Salt Lake City, UT 84111	:	Notice

Dear Mr. Gatto:

I am responding to your October 27, 1999, letter regarding Ron William J. Pappas. In my letter to you dated September 3, 1999, I required additional information. The information you submitted is not what I required in order to give your request full consideration.

As previously requested, I require information on the corporations listed below in order to determine whether or not the corporations were valid and in good standing at the time Mr. Pappas's notice was rejected. These corporations are as follows: Intermountain Slate, Mother Lode Resources, Baron Trading, Baron IV, Inc., World Resources, Marjum Shale Inc., Baron Exploration and Development L.C. and Cambrillic Natural Stone L.C. In addition, I need a copy of the final decree or signed court order assigning debts to Bureau of Land Management. According to Bankruptcy Petition #93-21155, listing of events, the courts order or decree was issued April 30, 1999.

A period of 30 days from receipt of this decision is allowed to provide the information requested. If you do not submit the requested information within this time frame, I will consider Mr. Rowley's rejection of Mr. Pappas's notice appropriate since Mr. Pappas established a record of noncompliance. During this 30-day compliance period, there is no right of appeal to the IBLA and an appeal filed within the compliance period is subject to dismissal as being premature. The 30-day appeal period commences upon expiration of the 30-day compliance period.

This decision may be appealed to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, Office of the Secretary, in accordance with the regulations contained in 43 CFR, Part 4 and the enclosed Form 1842-1. If an appeal is taken, your notice of appeal must be filed in this office (at the above address) within 30 days from receipt of this decision. The appellant has the burden of showing that the decision appealed from is in error.

If you wish to file a petition (request) (pursuant to regulation 43 CFR 4.21 (58 FR 4939, January 19, 1993)) for a stay (suspension) of the effectiveness of this decision during the time that your appeal is being reviewed by the Board, the petition for a stay must accompany your notice of appeal. A petition for a stay is required to show sufficient justification based on the standards listed below. Copies of the notice of appeal and petition for a stay must also be submitted to each party named in this decision, to the Interior Board of Land Appeals, and to the appropriate Office of the Solicitor (see 43 CFR 4.413) at the same time the original documents are filed with this office. If you request a stay, you have the burden of proof to demonstrate that a stay should be granted.

Except as otherwise provided by law or other pertinent regulations, a petition for a stay of a decision pending appeal shall show sufficient justification based on the following standards:

1. The relative harm to the parties if the stay is granted or denied,
2. The likelihood of the appellants's success on the merits,
3. The likelihood of immediate and irreparable harm if the stay is not granted, and
4. Whether the public interest favors granting the stay.

/s/ Sally Wisely

Sally Wisely
State Director

Enclosure
Form 1842-1

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